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Title: METHOD FOR PRODUCING INSULATED GATE THIN FILM
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

The prior application is assigned of record to Semiconductor Energy Laboratory Co., Ltd., a Japanese corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on February 21, 1996 at Reel 7876, Frame 0466.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/375,308, filed August 16, 1999, which is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 08/604,547, filed February 21, 1996. The U.S. application serial no. 08/604,547 claims priority under 35 USC §119 based on priority application serial no. 7-56481, filed February 21, 1995, in Japan. The disclosure of the prior applications is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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Page 1 of the specification, before line 1, insert -- This application is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 09/375,308, filed August 16, 1999 (pending), which is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 08/604,547, filed February 21, 1996 (now U.S. Patent 5,953,597, issued September 14, 1999). The U.S. application serial no. 08/604,547 claims priority under 35 USC §119 based on priority application serial no. 7-56481, filed February 21, 1995, in Japan.--

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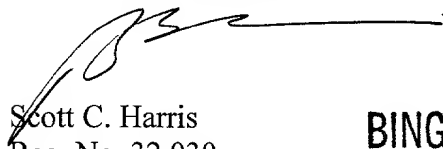
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